

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. First they refused to air Nightline's program showing the servicemen and women killed in Iraq as too political and now they do this.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves we have truly lost the freedom we are fighting for. It is truly said that you don't need a gun to kill someone and you don't need a war to lose your freedom.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. It's time for the FCC to step up to the plate and do their job. Thank you.